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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Frederic GAGNON

Application No.: 09/986,758

Filed: November 9, 2001

For: DIFFUSER IN AN AIR MASS
FLOW CONTROLLER

Confirmation No: 5999

Group Art Unit: 3753

Examiner: Fox, J.

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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR
RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated 17 October 2003 (Paper No. 8), the period for reply to which has been extended two-months to 17 March January 2004, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested to place the application in clear condition for allowance or, alternatively, in better form for appeal.